



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q65610

Hideo KIKUCHI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/917,873

Group Art Unit: 2839

Confirmation No.: 2067

Examiner: Chandrika PRASAD

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For: OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE CONNECTING STRUCTURE, OPTICAL ELEMENT  
MOUNTING STRUCTURE AND OPTICAL FIBER MOUNTING STRUCTURE

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**


Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003 in which the Examiner has required an election of species, Applicant responds by electing Species I, figures 1-5, without traverse. Claims 1-10 and 13 read on the elected species. Claim 1 is generic to all species

Prompt and favorable action on the elected claims are now respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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